

The B W A Mirror

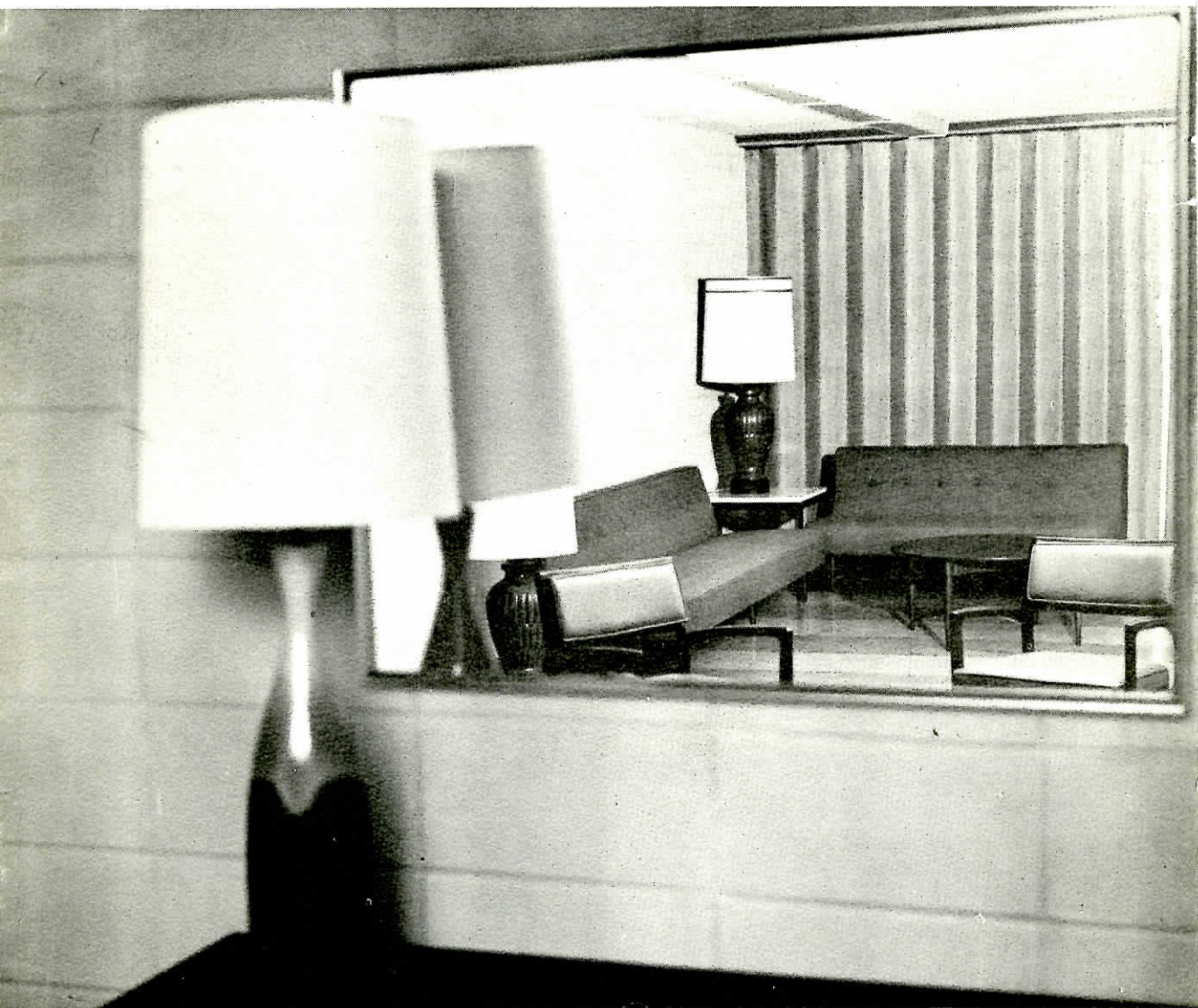
BRYAN WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

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Mirroring Accomplishment: Furnishing of New Dormitory Lounges



PROJECT: MICROSCOPES

In the picture above, the officers of the Bryan Women's Auxiliary of the 1965-66 school year--Mrs. Louise Bentley, president; Mrs. Sue Keefer, vice-president; Mrs. Betty Wynsemø, treasurer; and Mrs. Lois Worley, secretary--look on as Mr. Tom Beal, of the Science Department, explains the desirable features of the five new microscopes just received as a gift to the College from the Auxiliary.

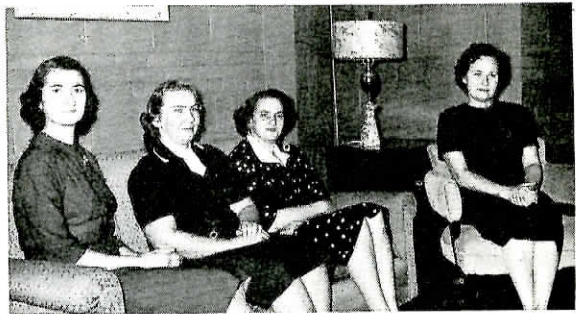
The arrival of the five new microscopes represents the completion of one-half of the project chosen at the January meeting: the raising of \$1,500 for the purchase of ten microscopes for the Science Department. Other projects submitted for consideration at the January meeting included the installation of a terrazzo floor in the south hall of Main, of air-conditioning in the dining room, and of a kitchenette next door to the main lounge. The women, however, chose the project of the microscopes because it would supplement the students' current project of raising \$10,000 for the development of a new science laboratory on the third floor of Main. This project, which will help to meet an educational need, has the distinction of being the first of its kind to be selected by the B W A in its nine years of choosing projects.

An Organization of Projects

The B W A came into being for the specific purpose of meeting some of the needs of the school, of "doing the little things which might otherwise be left undone." The need for renovating the Girls' Lounge on the third floor of the Main Building was the impetus for organization on August 6, 1957.

Since the undertaking of the first project nine years ago, when the twenty-four women present at the organizational meeting pledged their money and their efforts to paint furniture and to make slipcovers, the Auxiliary has left its mark on every building of the campus with the exception of the new service and music buildings--on the chapel, the three floors of the Main Building, the Kindergarten, the Octagon, and the two new dormitories.

It has invested \$11,000 not only in the improvement of these areas--from the simple addition of curtains or drapes and of furniture to the more complex additions of floors and ceilings and the complete renovation of rooms--but also in the purchase of desirable equipment for the College.



The first officers (1957-58)--Miss Ursula Luetgens, treasurer; Mrs. Shirley Holmes, secretary; Mrs. Sue Keefer, vice-president; and Mrs. Alice Mercer, president--relax in a corner of the Girls' Lounge after its renovation, the first B W A project.



The china and the silver service pictured on the table at the left are gifts to the College by the women of the B W A, who have gathered for their refreshment hour.

SUMMARY OF PROJECTS

- August, 1957 - Girls' Lounge (third floor Main)--tile floor; painting, reupholstering, and slipcovering of furniture
- Fall, 1957 - Kindergarten--curtains
- March, 1958 - Dining Room--drapes
- Summer, 1958 - Octagon (men's dormitory)--new roof, refinishing of lobby floor, painting of lobby walls and of all furniture, laying of linoleum rugs in every room
- Fall, 1958 - Guest Room (third floor Chapel)--painting of walls and furniture; buying of beds, mattresses, spreads, and curtains
- Spring, 1959 - Dispensary--curtains
- Summer, 1959 - Chapel Dormitory (on ground floor)--tile floor in hall, painting of hall walls and of all furniture, laying of linoleum in every room
- Girls' Infirmary (third floor Main)--painting of furniture



The cover picture and the picture above are views of the girls' lounge in the new dormitory. The furnishing of this lounge and of the boys' in similar fashion represents the most ambitious project of the Auxiliary (Spring, 1964--Spring, 1965).

- Spring, 1960 - Ladies' Lounge (second floor Main)--complete construction (ceiling, panelled walls, tile and ceramic floor), fixtures, and furniture
- August, 1961 - Girls' Lounge (third floor Main)--ceiling, painting and slipcovering of furniture
- Dean of Women's Apartment (third floor Main)--painting of walls and some furniture, new living room furniture, drapes
- Fall, 1961 - Central hall of third floor Main--tile floor
- Ironing-Sewing Room (third floor of Main)--painting of walls, floor, furniture, curtains
- January, 1962 - Coffee and tea silver service; 89-place setting of dinnerware
- August, 1962 - Records Office--filing cabinets; Chapel--piano bench
- January, 1963 - Carousel Slide Projector
- March, 1963 - Chapel--drapes
- Guest Room--curtains
- Boys' Infirmary--linens
- Spring, 1963 - Administrative Offices--drapes
- Fall, 1963 - Kindergarten--curtains
- Spring 1964 - New Dormitory Offices--furniture (desks, benches)
- Spring, 1964--
- Spring, 1965 - New Dormitory Lounges --complete furnishing (sofas, chairs, tables, lamps)
- Summer, Fall 1965 - The Records Office--ceiling, painting of walls and furniture
- Publicity Office--ceiling, tile floor, painting of walls and furniture
- December, 1965 - Serving spoons for guest buffets
- Spring, 1966 - Five microscopes

PROJECT COMMITTEE PLANS LUNCHEON

Following the Commencement exercises on Tuesday, May 31, the women of the Auxiliary plan to serve a dime-a-dip luncheon in the College dining room.

The proceeds from this luncheon, which will make available a speedy, convenient means of refreshment for prospective travelers and will provide further opportunity for fellowship with campus visitors, will be used toward the purchase of the second group of five microscopes for the Science Department.

Ways and Means

The projects of the Auxiliary, costing approximately \$11,000 have been financed in various ways.

More than three-fourths of this amount has come through the gifts, not only of those who regularly attend the meetings but of friends in the community and at a distance. More than three hundred women, not including students' mothers, have contributed to these projects. Only certain projects--smaller ones, where the need was pressing, or larger ones, where the help of many was required--have been publicized, sometimes through mimeographed letters or through invitations to special events.

The two events which were especially planned occasions for freewill offerings have met with unusual success. The first of these was a fashion show in the spring of 1964 for the project of the Ladies' Lounge. The second was a recipe fair in the summer of 1964 for the project of the furnishing of the two new dormitory lounges.



The Cake Booth at the Recipe Fair

The second source of the greatest income has been from the birthday cakes baked for Bryan students by members of the Auxiliary at the request of parents. Much of this income is gift income, for many a parent, wishing to have a greater share in the B W A projects, sends more than the \$2.50 for the price of the cake.

A small percentage of the money for the projects has been received through the sale of homemade candy and baked goods and of Christmas cards and note paper with Bryan campus views.

NEW VENTURE IN PRAYER

At the first monthly meeting of this school year, on October 5, 1965, the members of the prayer committee, Mrs. Jack Goatley and Miss Zelpha Russell, passed out lists containing the names of seven or more students to the forty women present. Each woman was asked to pray daily for the students on her list and to notify the students, so that they could share with her their prayer requests.

Many of the women have told of receiving notes of appreciation from the students, as well as specific requests for prayer, and have expressed joy at being able to see spiritual growth in the lives of students for whom they have been praying.

A Continuing Ministry

From the time of the birth of the Auxiliary on the evening of August 6, 1957, its members have realized the futility of any undertaking apart from God's guidance and help. From the minutes of this first meeting we read the concluding portion:

It was decided that during the month of August there would be a brief devotional and a prayer and business meeting every Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the University lounge. . . . After a series of prayer the meeting was adjourned until the next Tuesday evening.

Through the Monday evening prayer meetings during the summer months (originating in June, 1959) and through the Monday noon prayer meetings during the school months (originating in March, 1962), the members of the B W A have endeavored to carry on a faithful group prayer ministry for every aspect of the College--financial, educational, and spiritual--and for all its constituents--students, faculty and staff, administration, alumni, trustees, and friends.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR COMING YEAR



Virginia Seguire

brarian, and Mrs. Donna Cornelius, teacher of music--were elected to the offices of president and vice-president. Mrs. Lois Worley and Mrs. Betty Wynsema were re-elected to the offices of secretary and treasurer.

At the last monthly meeting for this school year, on May 3, the members of the Auxiliary accepted unanimously the slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee. Two Bryan alumnae -- Miss Virginia Seguire, li-



Donna Cornelius

An Organization of United Effort

Although the importance of the functions of its four officers is not to be minimized, the B.W.A. is greatly dependent upon the members of all the committees and their chairmen, as well as upon the membership at large, for efficiency and for success in its undertakings.

Early in the summer the officers will meet to appoint the chairmen for the various committees--telephone, publicity, prayer, birthday cake, and project--and to select the women to serve on each of them.

Chronology of Officers

- 1957-58 - President--Alice Mercer
Vice-President--Sue Keefer
Secretary--Shirley Holmes
Treasurer--Ursula Luetgens
- 1958-59 - President--Alice Mercer
Vice-President--Sue Keefer
Secretary-Treasurer--
Ursula Luetgens
- 1959-60 - President--Alice Mercer
Vice-President--Jimmie Woods
Secretary--Lucille Rudd
Treasurer--Ursula Luetgens

- 1960-61 - President--Maude Miller
Vice-President--Faith Boyce
Secretary--Lucille Rudd
Treasurer--Jean Hill
- 1961-62 - President--Maude Miller
Vice-President--Zelpha Russell
Secretary--Violet Cather
Treasurer--Jean Hill
- 1962-63 - President--Zelpha Russell
Vice-President--Louise Bentley
Secretary--Violet Cather
Treasurer--Jean Hill
- 1963-64 - President--Zelpha Russell
Vice-President--Louise Bentley
Secretary--Harriet Anderson
Treasurer--Ethel Goatley
- 1964-65 - President--Louise Bentley
Vice-President--Sue Keefer
Secretary--Harriet Anderson
Treasurer--Ethel Goatley
- 1965-66 - President--Louise Bentley
Vice-President--Sue Keefer
Secretary--Lois Worley
Treasurer--Betty Wynsema

TRY THIS ACROSTIC

Christian Characteristics--Women of the Bible

- () - S like Persis
() - H like Elisabeth
() - L like Ruth
(A) - S like Phoebe
() - E like Esther
() - R like Rebekah
() - E not like Eve
() - T like Peter's wife's
(E) - E like Hannah mother
() - R like Eunice
(S) - G like the virtuous woman
() - D like Mary
() - I like some women of Philippi
(E) - D like Priscilla
() - B like Mary Magdalene
() - V not like Jezebel
() - T like Deborah
() - L like Lois
(R) - E like Rahab
() - A like Hannah

(If you have the answer, let us know!)

REVIEWS OF CHRISTIAN BOOKS GIVEN AT B W A MEETINGS

During this school year, for the first time, reviews of Christian books have been given at some of the meetings and have proved not only interesting but also inspiring and challenging.

The first review, given at the October meeting by Mrs. Bryan Elder, was of Eugenia Price's Early Will I Seek Thee, published by Revell. Using Galatians 2:20 as the theme of her book Miss Price vividly portrays her own experiences and observations relating to this verse.

The second review, given at the February meeting by Mrs. Gladys Duncan, was of Homer Dowdy's The Bamboo Cross, published by Harper's in 1964. It is the true account of Christian tribespeople of Vietnam--of their sufferings at the hands of communist guerrillas, of their spiritual victories, and of their miraculous deliverances. Written by one who shared their lives for three months, the story is both inspiring and thought-provoking.

The third review, given at the March meeting by Mrs. Russell Stansbury, was of Dale Evans Rogers' No Two Ways About It, published in 1963 by Revell. This book, now in its second printing, having sold more than 50,000 copies, is her own testimony about the values of life and her refutation of the popular idea of "anything for a fast buck." She relates here some of her experiences in connection with the Hollywood Christian Group, composed of those in the entertainment industry, who meet on Monday nights for prayer and Bible study.

Other Sources of Inspiration

The women of the BWA have received a varied diet of inspiration. During the nine years there have been devotionals; Bible studies; firsthand travelogues, observations and slides of such cities as Rome, Paris, and Hong Kong and of such countries as Japan, Germany, India, the Holy Land, Russia, Holland, and several South American countries; firsthand experiences of Christian service in various places--in Japan, among the Indians in Arizona, in the Kentucky mountains, in a Bible School in Chile, in France, in Peru, in Spain, in Haiti, in Mexico, in Africa, and in the Philippines; firsthand reports of the work of Christian organizations--Young Life, Word of Life Camp, the Tennessee Mountain Mission, Wycliffe Transla-

tors, and the Forest Children's Home in New Delhi, India; and several programs of inspirational poetry, readings and music.

The Speakers

The Auxiliary has been privileged to hear from an impressive number of different speakers--about sixty in all. They include Bryan trustees--Mrs. J. S. Frazier, Mrs. E. B. Arnold, Miss Ruth Huston; wives of trustees--Mrs. A. M. Morgan, Mrs. H. D. Long, Mrs. Harry Johnson, Mrs. Earle Stevens; Bryan alumni--Mr. John Quimby, Mrs. Paul Levensgood, Mrs. Ralph Toliver; about twenty faculty and staff members or wives of faculty and staff; about ten Bryan students; friends in the community--Mrs. Roy McDonald, Mrs. Earl Hallam, Mrs. Gladys Duncan, Mrs. Barbara Gholdston, Mrs. Paul Porter, Mrs. Dale Bittinger, Mrs. Bryan Elder, and Mrs. Vincent Ross; friends from Chattanooga--Miss Julia Nichols, Mrs. Bert Brown, Miss Rhoda Heiskell; friends from Knoxville--Mrs. Henry A. Henager, Miss Jane Haight; friends from Athens--Miss Elizabeth Anne Johnson and Miss Mildred Wright; and other friends--Mrs. A. H. Moore, of Fort Deposit, Alabama; Mrs. Leon Morris, of Melbourne, Australia; Miss Gene Long, of New Delhi, India; and Mrs. C. C. Robertson, of Toccoa Falls, Georgia.

The most frequent speaker at the BWA meetings has been Mrs. H. D. Long, the wife of the chairman of Bryan's Board of Trustees. She has spoken to us five times by virtue not only of her many travels but also of her dynamic presentations, vivid descriptions, and never-to-be-forgotten spiritual applications.

In the picture below, Miss Karin deRosset assistant dean of women and Bryan alumna, speaks to the women of the Auxiliary at the May meeting about the missionary work of her parents, who are also Bryan alumni, in Trujillo, Peru.

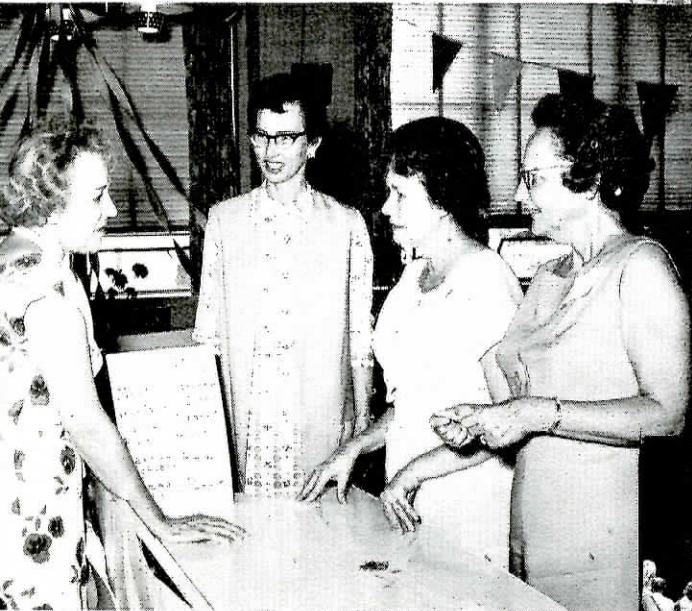


FRINGE BENEFIT: FELLOWSHIP

In Planning at a Business Session



In Eating during
the Social Hour of a B W A meeting



In Celebrating B W A 's
Second Anniversary at the McDonald Farm



In Serving as Hostess

In Fun(d)-Raising at a Recipe Fair



CONCERNING THE BWA MIRROR

Like the mirror on the cover, this special (and only) edition of the BWA Mirror reflects the accomplishments of the Bryan Women's Auxiliary. Unlike the mirror on the cover, which reflects only a corner of a large room, the BWA Mirror has endeavored to reflect the entire area of its nine years of accomplishments.

Like the mirror on page 6, this BWA Mirror reflects the women of the Auxiliary. Unlike the mirror on page 6, which reflects only the faces of some of the women, this BWA Mirror has endeavored to reflect the faith and prayers, the courage and work, the sacrifice and gifts of all the women who have had a share in these accomplishments.

To serve as a faithful mirror, the BWA Mirror has endeavored to reflect, too, the inspiration and fellowship which have come, as

surely as have the accomplishments, as a result of the efforts of women united for the cause of Bryan College and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

A Look into the Mirror

If you are an active member of the Auxiliary, we hope that you will see reflected in this Mirror the encouragement that you need to face the demands of the future.

If you have ever had a part in any of the projects of the Auxiliary, we hope that you will see reflected in this Mirror the sincere appreciation of those who have launched them, for you have helped to make possible the "substance" of the "things hoped for."

If the work of the Bryan Women's Auxiliary is new to you, we hope that you will see reflected here an earnest invitation to share in its future accomplishments through your prayers and gifts.

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